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<u>Iowans Helping Iowans Unmet Needs Disaster Assistance Program</u>

A one-time, state funded \$5 million program providing up to \$2500 in reimbursement or vouchers for disaster-related expenses for households affected by the 2010 floods.

Program Dates: October 1, 2010- June 30, 2011

Available Funding: Up to \$2500 per household.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for the program, applicant households must:

 Have an affected residence located in the area identified by a federal disaster declaration for Individual Assistance occurring on or after June 1, 2010 but before Aug. 31, 2010. A map that shows which counties were federally declared for Individual Assistance is here. http://www.gismaps.fema.gov/2010graphics/dr1930/dec 1930.pdf

- Have applied for FEMA assistance and SBA assistance, if applicable.
- Be citizens of the United States or are legally residing in the United States.
- Have an annual income equal to or less than 300 percent of the Federal poverty level for a household of that size.

| Persons in household | 300 percent of poverty level |
|----------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | \$32,490 |
| 2 | \$43,710 |
| 3 | \$54,930 |
| 4 | \$66,150 |
| 5 | \$77,370 |
| 6 | \$88,590 |
| 7 | \$99,810 |
| 8* | \$111,030 |

^{*}Add an additional \$11,220 for each additional person.

What is eligible for reimbursement?

Qualified uses may include items or services needed to overcome a disaster-related hardship, injury, or adverse condition resulting in costs or damages related to personal property, home repair, food assistance, child care or temporary housing.

Applicant households cannot receive assistance or reimbursement for disaster-related losses and expenditures already addressed through this program or other programs including, but not limited to: insurance, other state assistance, local community development groups, charities or faith-based agencies, the Small Business Administration (SBA) or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

How do qualified applicants receive funds?

Applicant households must:

- Have a FEMA identification number.
- Be able to provide their FEMA award letter.
- Provide all receipts for disaster-related expenditures.

All applications will be reviewed by the local administrative entities to determine eligibility. Information regarding local administrative entities and to apply, please click here: https://www.iowanshelpingiowans.com/resources/unmet_needs.cfm

Iowans Helping Iowans Housing Assistance

A one-time, state funded program providing housing assistance to homeowners whose primary residences were impacted by the 2010 floods.

Program Dates:

What type of assistance is available?

Housing Repair / Rehabilitation Assistance

Individuals whose homes were damaged by the 2010 natural disasters and are not proposed for buyouts may receive financial assistance not to exceed \$25,000 for the necessary and reasonable cost of eligible repair expenses for a disaster-affected home determined feasible for rehabilitation. Individuals eligible for this assistance are not eligible for assistance under the Down Payment Assistance provision.

Down Payment Assistance

Individuals whose homes were destroyed or damaged beyond reasonable repair by the 2010 natural disasters may be provided down payment assistance for the purchase of replacement housing and, if necessary, for the cost of making reasonable repairs to the home being purchased to make it safe, decent, and habitable not to exceed the lesser of 25 percent of the purchase price of the home being purchased or \$25,000. Individuals eligible for this assistance are not eligible for assistance under the Housing Repair/Rehabilitation Assistance provision.

Who is eligible to apply?

Homeowners must have:

- Registered with FEMA and been awarded some form of FEMA housing assistance, which may have been provided as home repair assistance, rental assistance, or replacement housing assistance
- The home to be assisted must be an owner-occupied primary residence.
- Homes located in the 100-year flood plain are not eligible for Doan Payment Assistance.
- Homes located in the 100-year flood plain may be eligible for Housing Repair / Rehabilitation Assistance provided the home meets local flood plain management standards.

How to apply?

For additional information about this program and to apply please visit, https://www.iowanshelpingiowans.com/resources/housing_assistance.cfm

Iowa Individual Assistance Grant Program (IIAGP)

A state funded program of up to \$1 million per year providing up to \$5000 in reimbursement or vouchers for disaster-related expenses for households in state-declared individual assistance counties.

Program Dates: Assistance is available for 120 days from the date of declaration. The

program will become inactive if a county is federally declared.

Available Funding: Up to \$5000 per household.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for the IIAGP, the applicant household must:

- Have been located in the area identified in the disaster declaration during the designated incident period and the household verifies occupancy at that residence.
- The household must have an annual income equal to or less than 200 percent of the Federal poverty level for a household of that size. For current poverty guidelines, see http://aspe.hhs.gov/poverty/.
- The household must not have previously received assistance from this program or another program for the same loss.

What is eligible for reimbursement?

Qualified uses may include items or services needed to overcome a disaster-related hardship, injury, or adverse condition resulting in costs or damages related to personal property, home repair or temporary housing.

This program was formerly reimbursement only and has been amended effective Oct. 1, 2010 to allow for a voucher system. There must be a local administrative entity authorized by the county Boards of Supervisors to administer the voucher system.

How do qualified applicants receive funds?

The program is administered through the Department of Human Services and various local administrative entities. Applicants must submit applications within 45 days of the disaster declaration to the county emergency management coordinator with receipts or a request for a voucher to receive funds.

Individual Disaster Case Management

A one time, state funded program providing reimbursement for case management administrative costs to a qualified vendor(s) of case management services.

Program Dates: November 2010- June 1, 2011.

Available Funding: This program does not provide funding but rather services that can assist disaster affected lowans navigate through their recovery.

Who is eligible for services provided by this program?

Anyone that was living in the area identified by a federal disaster declaration for Individual Assistance occurring on or after June 1, 2010 but before Aug. 31, 2010. A map that shows which counties were federally declared for Individual Assistance is here. http://www.gismaps.fema.gov/2010graphics/dr1930/dec 1930.pdf

What types of services are provided under this program?

Individual Disaster Case Management Services plan, secure, coordinate, monitor, and advocate for unified goals and services with organizations and personnel in partnership with individuals and families. Disaster Case Management services include practices that are unique to delivery of services in the aftermath of emergencies and major incidents. Disaster service delivery challenges are associated with an influx and simultaneous deployment of local, regional, state and, in a declared disaster area, federal assistance. Services may be delivered within, or separate from, a multi-service organization.

This service program provides advocacy, information and referral services that assist individuals and families navigate through the complexities of disaster recovery. A recovery plan is developed with one-on-one assistance with a disaster case advocate. This service program does not provide monetary assistance to disaster-affected individuals.

How do affected individuals receive services?

The Iowa Community Action Association and Community Action Programs are providing disaster case management services. To see where you can find assistance in your community please click here: http://www.rio.iowa.gov/2010/index.html.

Project Recovery Iowa: Crisis Counseling Assistance and Training Program

A federally funded program to assist individuals and communities in recovering from the challenging effects of disaster through the provision of community-based outreach.

Program Dates: Ongoing

What services are available?

- Individual Crisis Counseling: Helps survivors understand their reactions, improve coping strategies, review their options, and connect with other individuals and agencies that may assist them.
- Basic supportive or Educational Contact: General support and information on resources and services available to disaster survivors.
- Group Crisis Counseling: Group sessions led by trained crisis counselors who offer skills to help group members cope with their situations and reactions.
- **Public Education:** Information and education about typical reactions, helpful coping strategies, and available disaster-related services.
- Community Networking and Support: Relationship building with community resource organizations, faith-based groups and local agencies.
- Assessment, Referral and Resource Linkage: Adult and Child needs assessment and referral to additional disaster relief services or mental health or substance abuse treatment.

Who can receive services?

Anyone living in a community affected by the disaster events of 2010 can receive Project Recovery Iowa services. All 99 counties can access assessment, referral and resource linkage through the Iowa Concern hotline at 800-447-1985. Counseling outreach services can be accessed in Hamilton, Jasper, Marion, Polk, Story, Warren and Wapello counties.

What services are provided?

Services available through Project Recovery Iowa include assessment, referral and resource linkage; basic supportive and educational outreach; individual and group counseling; community networking and support; and public education.

How do affected individuals receive services?

Individuals can call the Iowa Concern Hotline at 1-800-447-1985, 24 hours a day, seven days a week and ask to be connected with Project Recovery Iowa. Project Recovery

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lowa is an outreach program and will meet people in their homes, at a business, the library, the school and anywhere in the community. www.projectrecoveryiowa.com.

FEMA Housing and Other Needs Assistance (ONA) Funds

Federal funding that goes to disaster victims immediately following a disaster to cover personal property losses, home repairs and other items.

Program Dates: Active after federal individual assistance declaration. Current program deadline for 2010 disaster is October 13, 2010.

Available Funding: Up to \$29,900 per household.

Who can apply?

Individuals and households in federally declared counties for individual assistance.

For specific eligibility requirements, click here: http://www.fema.gov/assistance/process/assistance.shtm

What is eligible for funding?

Housing assistance may be used to repair any of the following:

- Structural parts of your home (foundation, outside walls, roof).
- Windows, doors, floors, walls, ceilings, cabinetry.
- Septic or sewage system.
- Well or other water system.
- Heating, ventilating, and air conditioning system.
- Utilities (electrical, plumbing, and gas systems).
- Entrance and exit ways from your home, including privately owned access roads.
- Blocking, leveling, and anchoring of a mobile home and reconnecting or resetting its sewer, water, electrical, fuel lines, and tanks.

Other needs assistance may cover:

- Disaster-related medical and dental costs.
- Disaster-related funeral and burial cost.
- Clothing; household items (room furnishings, appliances); tools (specialized or protective clothing and equipment) required for your job; necessary educational materials (computers, school books, supplies).

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- Fuels for primary heat source (heating oil, gas).
- Clean-up items (wet/dry vacuum, dehumidifier).
- Disaster damaged vehicle.
- Moving and storage expenses related to the disaster (moving and storing property to avoid additional disaster damage while disaster-related repairs are being made to the home).
- Other necessary expenses or serious needs as determined by FEMA.

How do qualified applicants receive funds?

Disaster affected individuals should apply for FEMA assistance online at http://www.fema.gov/assistance/index.shtm or by calling 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) / 1-800-462-7585 (TTY).